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ARTICLE

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated March 21, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph as follows:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 30 and ending on page 3, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--It is, therefore, an object of the present invention to provide a method for manufacturing an absorbent article, in which an absorbent article with a predetermined pattern arranged at a predetermined position can be manufactured afficiently, economically and in a stable manner without product a degraded product.--

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